

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE

## Governor of the State of Texas

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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto Senate Bill No. 1195 as passed by the Seventy-Ninth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

Senate Bill No. 1195 would require law enforcement officers, in certain traffic stop situations, to get a signed or video or audio taped consent before searching a vehicle.

A limited number of jurisdictions in Texas already require their officers to get a signed or recorded consent before searching a vehicle, and there is nothing in current law that prohibits other entities from adopting policies that require their officers to receive written consent prior to conducting searches.

I believe we already have sufficient protections in our Constitution and case law that protect Texans against unreasonable searches. Furthermore, there is insufficient information available at this time to determine whether signed or taped consent requirements place too onerous a burden on law enforcement or provide additional protections to the public. I would expect members of the legislature to review this issue during the interim and to bring back their findings to the 80th legislative session.

Since the Legislature by its adjournment has prevented the return of this bill, I am filing these objections in the office of the Secretary of State and giving notice thereof by this public proclamation according to the aforementioned constitutional provision.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 17th day of June, 2005.

*Rick Perry*  
RICK PERRY  
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:  
*Roger Williams*  
ROGER WILLIAMS  
Secretary of State

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
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